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SHAW ACCEPTS
THE PORTFOLIO.Insisted That Wilson Re-
main in the Cabinet.

IOWAN WELL FITTED FOR POSITION.

Appointment Received With Ap-
proval—Iowa Well Represented
in High Places—Now Sec-
retary Has No Presidential
Aspirations.

Gov. Leslie M. Shaw of Iowa has accepted the invitation of President Roosevelt to become Secretary of the Treasury, succeeding Lyman J. Gage, who has informally tendered his resignation to the President. Governor Shaw's entrance to the Cabinet will not affect the position of Secretary Wilson, who is an Iowan.

Official announcement of these facts was made at the White House last night. Official had been made to Governor Shaw's appointment on the ground that if he entered the Cabinet Secretary Wilson might be forced to retire, in pursuance of a somewhat halting precedent that two Cabinet officers from the same State should not be in the Cabinet at the same time.

Mr. Wilson's Retention a Condition. It is understood that in signifying his willingness to accept Governor Shaw's nomination, the President directed the announcement that Secretary Wilson would not be affected.

The last check to Governor Shaw's acceptance of the Treasury portfolio, proffered immediately after the nomination of Gov. W. M. Crane, of Massachusetts, was removed Monday, when Mr. Shaw, in Des Moines, stated that he would place no obstacle in the path of his husband's acceptance of the offer, and during the day a message to the effect that Governor Shaw would accept was received at the White House.

Appointment Well Received. The announcement of the appointment met with favorable comment from prominent officials last night. Governor Shaw is generally regarded as one of the best authorities on financial questions in the United States, and two successful administrations as Governor of Iowa have established his reputation for administrative ability.

The affairs of the Treasury Department are in such shape that he can take hold of his new duties at any time. It is unlikely that he will take the helm, however, before February 1 at the earliest. His term as Governor expires early in January, when he will be succeeded by A. B. Cummins, of Des Moines. Governor Shaw came to Washington before that time to consult with the President, but this is not regarded likely.

Consulted With Allison. Governor Shaw was informally tendered the position on Monday. The invitation to enter the Cabinet was so unexpected that he consulted, the following day, with Senator Allison, at Dubuque, where he learned something regarding the views of the President respecting his probable acceptance of the portfolio. He returned to Des Moines to consult with Mr. Shaw, and the result was his message yesterday that he would accept.

Since the announcement of Governor Shaw's acceptance, it has been shown that his reported Presidential aspirations never stood in the way of his acceptance. Since President McKinley was shot Governor Shaw has had no Presidential aspirations. He has been a Roosevelt man.

Gave Up Presidential Aspirations. When the remains of President McKinley were laid to rest in Canton, Governor Shaw asked Secretary Wilson to inform President Roosevelt that he had abandoned his Presidential prospects and would be for Roosevelt in 1904. This step, it is thought, may have some little weight in the President's offer of the Cabinet vacancy to the Iowa Governor.

Iowa has more men in high position than any other State in the Union. Two Iowans, Secretary Wilson and Governor Shaw, will soon be members of the Cabinet. Senator Allison is the leader of the upper house, and Representative Henderson is Speaker of the House of Representatives.

A Successful Man. When the administration of the Treasury Department, which President McKinley was said to regard as the most important in the Government service, falls into the hands of Governor Shaw it will come under the care of a man who has been a success of everything to which he has turned his hand.

Governor Shaw is a splendid type of the progressive American, who has attained prominence through industry, perseverance, and quick sense of opportunity. Although he has been before the public eye but little over five years, he has in that time attained national prominence purely through the profundity and clear-sightedness of his views on financial questions.

Uplifted the Gold Standard. Few men did more to uphold the gold standard in 1896 than Leslie M. Shaw. His addresses on the subject of the currency have been extremely valuable campaign literature for the Republican party. He is thoroughly a Western man, having lived for the greater part of his life in Iowa, although born a Vermontian, but at the same time he holds the respect of the Eastern financial world. In this respect he is an ideal selection.

The President selected a man who was representative of the great producing section of the country, with its vast railroad and business interests, and at the same time one whose financial views were entirely devoid of the rabidness which has frequently characterized Western men of prominence.

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Landing of Battleship Missouri. Fairway meeting, December 25, at Newport News. The battleship Missouri, leaving for Norfolk, left at 10:30 p. m. on Friday, December 25, 1901.

QUEEN ALEXANDRA IMPROVES.

Addresses Parcel of Gifts Sent to Incurable Children.

LONDON, Dec. 25.—Queen Alexandra is progressing favorably toward recovery. Dr. Laking visited her today.

Notwithstanding her indisposition, her Majesty accepted Christmas presents to each patient in the Cheyne Hospital for Incurable Children. She herself addressed the several rows of little children of Cheyne Hospital.

There was a private service today in the chapel of Marlborough House. The King and Princess Victoria were present.

ADMIRAL CROMWELL HERE.

Commander of European Station to Attend Daughter's Wedding.

Rear Admiral R. J. Cromwell, who will reach the retiring age on February 2, will be continued on active service as commander-in-chief of the European naval station until some time in March or April, when he will be relieved by Rear Admiral A. S. Cronin.

Admiral Cromwell is in Washington on leave of absence, his visit to the United States having been made for the purpose of attending the marriage of his daughter next week, and he will sail for Europe on January 4.

MAY MAKE APPEAL
TO JUDGE LYNCH.

WEST VIRGINIANS INCENSED.

Escape of Murderers From Death Penalties Through the Governor's Action May Cause Violence.

WHEELING, W. Va., Dec. 25.—Not since the burning of the city in 1862 have there been so many hanged in West Virginia, although there have been a hundred convicted of capital crimes and sentenced to hang out of the world.

Numerous instances are cited where the names were appealed from the various lower courts to the higher tribunals in the State and there the inferior courts' decisions were affirmed, but by some hook or crook the criminals have evaded the hangman's noose and they have either received a commutation of sentence, a respite, or a pardon.

There is a growing feeling all over the State that justice is being defeated, and should the policy of the chief executive be continued it is probable that Lynch law will follow.

Here in West End there are two cases—of a cold-blooded murder and another of assault by a colored man upon an aged woman. These have tried the patience of the people. Both the murderers and the assaulter were given chances through the Supreme Court, but it was found that the lower courts did not err. They were expected to be hanged this month, but by the interference of the Governor, their cases will be considered by the pardon board, and it is believed that some of them will be put to death.

The Citizens Aroused. Mr. White has incensed the citizens to such a degree that it will not be surprising if in the future the State will be treated to a number of lynchings.

At present there are about a dozen men awaiting execution at the State penitentiary at Moundsville, some of them having been incarcerated for two years or more, but a year has passed since the new Governor came into power, and there appears to be little show of justice being meted out to any one of the number.

AGAINST MINIMUM TARIFF. Proposition to Be Made to the Repealing Committee.

BERLIN, Dec. 25.—A newspaper states that influential friends of the tariff bill intend to propose that the Repealing committee thereon abandon the clause fixing a minimum tariff on cereals.

It is argued that it would be superfluous to fix a duty, in support of which the alleged phrase of the Kaiser, "Minimum tariffs are an absurdity," is cited, while Count von Posadowsky-Wehner, Secretary of the Home Office, himself admitted that the Government might in certain circumstances, be compelled to ignore them.

It is doubted whether the committee will agree to abandon the minimum tariff, as it would involve the defeat of the ultra Agrarians, who would oppose such a course most strenuously.

TRAGEDY AT A FEAST. Father Accidentally Killed in a Struggle With Two Sons.

POTTSVILLE, Pa., Dec. 25.—Henry Kramer, aged sixty-two years, was accidentally shot and killed in his home at noon today. He was conversing with his two sons, Henry A. Kramer and Fred Kramer, who had just arrived from their home in New York City to spend Christmas with their parents. A discussion relating to a family matter took place and a remark made by one of the young men enraged the father, who was under the influence of liquor at the time, that double-barreled gun loaded with large shot, he rushed into the yard and selected a double-barreled gun loaded with large shot. The son, who was armed with a revolver, fired at the father, who was in the yard, and the bullet entered his chest, striking him at close range. The blood spurted from the wound, the sight of which, together with the report of the gun, seemed to cause all three of the men and for a moment a fierce fight ensued. The father fell dead across the Christmas feast.

Suicide Was Not Doubtful.

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—The man who hanged himself in the woods at Arlington, Mass., a week ago and who was thought to be Henry P. Danks, a musician, living in Henry Street, this city, is not now believed to be Danks.

Hubert P. Danks, a music publisher at 100 West 11th St., New York, telegraphed today that he knew that Danks was alive, as he daily received letters from him.

THREAT TO
SUE CROKER.Belmont Angry at Remarks
by Tammany Chief.

LATTER NOT WORRIED BY MENACE.

Declares He Saved Would-Be Representative From Grand Jury, and That He Was Bothered Continually by the Candidate—Suit Already Grows Out of Tangle.

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—The Hon. Perry Belmont promises to sue the Hon. Richard Croker for libel.

"Let him go ahead and sue," says Mr. Croker.

All this is the result of Mr. Croker's unfortunate absence in Indiana when the Seventh district Democrats were trying to nominate a man for Congress. They have nominated four men, Tammany contributing two, Mr. Belmont and Councilman O'Grady. The Republicans are content with one—Montague Linder.

Crocker Makes Rejoinder. Mr. Belmont said on Tuesday that Mr. Croker did not tell the truth in saying that he had not interfered in the selection of a candidate. Mr. Belmont added that he himself was not Mr. Croker's candidate and did not want to be.

Mr. Croker rejoined today with these allegations: "First—I have to say to you that the only interfering I did was for Mr. Belmont's own good. If somebody had not interfered the grand jury would have interfered."

Bothered by Belmont. "Second—the statement that Mr. Belmont did not want to be Mr. Croker's candidate is not true. Belmont has been here (at the club) a hundred times to see me and he dare not deny it. He wanted to support the worst way. He was here morning, noon, and night. Why, he nearly bothered me to death about his candidacy. I was never so bothered by a man in my life."

Upon reading these things in the evening papers today Mr. Belmont replied: "Mr. Croker's statement that he had interfered for my good, and that, if he had not interfered the grand jury would, is of such character it requires a positive, unadmissible answer. In the first place, the vague charge about the grand jury must be the same charge contained in an evening newspaper of yesterday, that I obtained my nomination by the use of money. On account of that statement I have brought a suit for libel."

Threat Against Croker. "There is more evidence for a newspaper giving circulation to general gossip, even if it is unfounded and of a libelous character, than there is for Mr. Croker's statement that he will continue to be the head of a great political organization, and if he will continue the state of mind in the evening papers I shall take legal proceedings for libel against him personally."

"I visited the Democratic Club altogether three times, at long intervals. My purpose was not to ask for his support, which could not under any circumstances have been expected, owing to my relations with him. My relations with Mr. Croker, as is well known, have long been strained."

Suspected Croker's Honesty. "My purpose was to assure myself that what he had told me and had told my friends in regard to his non-interference was true and that he would maintain that position. Several things have come to my knowledge which made me suspect his good faith."

Mr. Croker, on hearing that Mr. Belmont would sue him for libel upon due authentication of Mr. Croker's remarks, had this to say: "So he is going to sue me, eh? Well, let him sue. I'll certify to what I said, that if somebody had not interfered the grand jury would have interfered. If he can get any satisfaction out of that he is welcome to it. If he wants to sue for libel on that, all I've got to say is let him go ahead."

Both to Apply for Certificates. Tomorrow both factions will apply to the board of elections for recognition. If Mr. Belmont gets the certificate of nomination the friends of O'Grady will have a great deal to say on the subject.

If, on the other hand, Mr. O'Grady receives the certificate, Mr. Belmont will probably carry the case into the courts.

CARROLL MAY RETIRE. Rumor That He Will Resign as Croker's Lieutenant.

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—The Tammany general committee is to meet on Friday, and it was said tonight that on that occasion John P. Carroll may announce his retirement as deputy leader of Tammany Hall. It has been known for some time that Mr. Carroll has contemplated this step, and things are taking shape.

Much quiet work is going on in Tammany Hall among the McLaughlin Democrats of Brooklyn looking to a readjustment of Democratic lines preparatory to the State election next year. Should Mr. Carroll retire, it is said Mr. Croker may, later on, take a back seat.

Should Mr. Carroll retire on Friday as deputy leader of Tammany Hall, the friends of Maurice F. Egan will push him for the place. The brawl in Tammany and the bitter sentiments uttered by the McLaughlin Democrats are all for one purpose—to straiten things out for the gubernatorial campaign next year.

It was said by eminent Democrats today that Edward M. Shepard, defeated candidate for mayor, will certainly be elected for Governor. All the work now going on, it was added, is to that end.

It was furthermore made known that ex-Governor Hill and Mr. Shepard are now personally friendly, and this was a striking bit of news, in view of the relentless opposition of Mr. Shepard to Mr. Hill for many years. Mr. Hill and Mr. Shepard have had frequent meetings and their relations may now be put down as personally friendly.

GAVE LIFE FOR HER CHILD.

Mother Rushed in Front of Train and Both Perished.

RELY, Md., Dec. 25.—Mrs. James T. Brass, of Elliott City, and her daughter Minnie, six years old, were instantly killed at Avalon station, near here, by a train leaving Camden station, Baltimore, at 5:30 p. m.

From testimony given before the coroner's jury, summoned by Justice Forgan, of St. Denis, it appears that Mrs. Brass and her daughter, who were visiting Tobias Brass, of Avalon, went to meet the train there and the daughter attempted to cross the track.

The mother, seeing the danger, rushed to rescue her. Both were struck. The body of the child was almost cut in two.

A child about two years old, which Mrs. Brass carried in her arms, in some manner escaped injury.

It is said the same engineer who ran the train that killed Mrs. Brass and her child also struck Mr. Brass' father and killed him about ten years ago near the same place.

DEATH FROM ELECTRIC WIRE.

Frayed Insulation Kills Banker at Door of Vault.

AKRON, Ohio, Dec. 25.—David P. Wheeler, a banker and capitalist of this city, was killed by electricity this afternoon. He had been at the Citizens' National Bank, of which he was cashier, with Jacob Koch, a director, examining some correspondence.

Mr. Koch left as they had concluded their business, and Mr. Wheeler went to the vault to lock it up. In one hand he held an electric bulb on a long wire, and with the other grasped the handle of the steel door. The coating on the wire had been rubbed off, and, owing to a crossed wire, the light wire was heavily charged. A circuit being formed with the steel vault, the shock was sufficient to produce instant death.

Mr. Wheeler not returning to dinner, his son Willard set out to find him. Entering the bank he found his father standing upright, leaning against the vault. His right hand grasped the knob of the door, but three fingers of his right hand had been burned off.

Mr. Wheeler was fifty-three years old and leaves a widow, one son, and one daughter.

ITALY WANTS
LYNCHERS PUNISHED.
NOT SATISFIED WITH INDEMNITY.

Asks for Passage of Act to Make the Killing of Foreign Subjects a Federal Crime—The State Department in Accord.

The Italian Ambassador, Signor Mayor des Planches, has earnestly requested the State Department to secure a settlement of the international questions arising out of the lynching of some Italian subjects at Bristol, Va., and the killing of a French subject at New Orleans, after they had been acquitted by a jury.

A Federal Law Needed. The latest representations of the Italian Ambassador have taken the form of practical suggestions that an effort be made by the State Department to secure the passage of an act of Congress making the lynching of foreign subjects an offense against the laws of the United States.

Will Not Compromise. The Italian Government has heretofore contented itself with accepting pecuniary indemnity from the United States, to be distributed among the families of the victims. It has now declined to permit the adjustment of the Italian lynching in that manner unless the Federal Government is authorized by Congress to undertake the punishment of persons concerned in outrages on Italian subjects residing in this country.

While it does not admit so officially, the State Department is thoroughly in sympathy with the position of Italy in this matter. Mr. Blaine's administration of the Department an earnest effort was made to secure the enactment of a statute making treacher the law of the land and providing for the punishment by Federal courts of the offenders against treaty provisions.

Equal Under the Law. Under the treaty with Italy this Government is bound to give to Italian subjects the same treatment in law as it gives its own citizens. Much embarrassment has been caused to the Government through its inability to live up to this solemn compact in cases where foreign subjects were the victims of offenses against State laws.

It is probable that Congress will be urged to remedy the defect, but with the jealous regard for State rights shown by many Senators and Representatives, there is bound to be strong if not successful legislative opposition to any measure having that object in view.

Blood Money Not Wanted.

Signor Mayor des Planches said yesterday that his Government fully recognized the difficulties of the United States in carrying out its treaty obligations to protect Italian subjects, but he intimated that Italy would not be satisfied hereafter with the payment of indemnity. It was a question of great international importance and not one of blood money, he said.

Ocean Steamship Movements.

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—Arrived: Majestic, Liverpool; Furness, Glasgow. Arrived out: Maasdam, from New York; Rotterdam, from New York; Hamburg, from New York.

MANY MURDERS
MAR THE DAY.Tragedies of Various Kinds
Spoil Merry-making.

MAN KILLED BECAUSE HE SPOKE.

Father Killed by Son Who Defended Mother's Life—Town Marshal Shot Down—Three Men Attack St. Louis Saloon—Confederate Veteran Slain.

COLUMBIA, Tenn., Dec. 25.—There was another killing in the neighborhood of Enterprise yesterday, making it a twenty-four hour. This time a Baptist preacher, the Rev. A. J. Brooks, was the victim, and Eliza Wadmon, about twenty-four years old, the slayer.

About a year ago someone fired into Brooks' home. He suspected Wadmon, and tried to get an indictment against him. Wadmon told the preacher at the time that if he ever spoke to him again he would kill him.

Kept His Word. Brooks had been to Mount Pleasant yesterday, and on his way back met Wadmon and two other young men. As he passed them he said:

"Good evening, gentlemen."

After he had passed Wadmon turned and fired three shots, one entering Brooks' back. He died in twenty minutes. Wadmon remarked:

"Yes, I—yes, I told you, but if you spoke to me again I would kill you; and I have kept my word."

The officers have not been able to apprehend the murderer, and it is feared he has escaped. Brooks was a married man.

Fussmade in a Saloon. ST. LOUIS, Dec. 25.—At an early hour this morning three young men shot James W. Smith and John King while in a saloon at the northeast corner of Carr Street and Broadway. Smith will die.

There was a number of customers in the saloon at the time. A fusillade of shots was poured through windows and screens doors. The crowd ran out the back door, but Smith, King, and the bartender went toward the front to see who was doing the shooting.

Attacked by Three Men. As they approached the door three men entered, with felt hats pulled low over their faces, and began firing at them as rapidly as their revolvers would work. Smith was shot in the temple and right arm, while King caught a bullet in his left arm. Mirrors, glassware, and windows were shattered by the bullets.

When Smith fell the door King and the bartender ran screaming out the back door, and the murderers took to their heels and have not been arrested.

Killed by His Son. BRISTOL, Va., Dec. 25.—Richard Watkins was shot and killed instantly this evening by his nineteen-year-old son, Thomas Watkins. The son says he fired the shot to save his mother's life.

Watkins was a well-known and respected citizen, and his death is a great loss to the community. The son is being held for trial.

Confederate Veteran Killed. BRISTOL, Tenn., Dec. 25.—Robert Moore, aged fifty-five years, an ex-Confederate veteran of Washington County, Va., was shot dead from his horse two miles north of Bristol last night by Thomas Templeton, aged thirty-three years, with whom he had had a fight in Bristol the afternoon.

Tried to Rescue Fight. Moore overtook Templeton as the latter was on his way home and sought to renew the fight. Templeton turned on him with a revolver and fired four shots, one of which went through Moore's heart.

The murdered man is survived by a family. He was a man of fighting habits, and had headed two lynchings parties in this region. Templeton has not been captured, but it is understood that he intends to surrender.

Bloody Fight in Kentucky. PINEVILLE, Ky., Dec. 25.—Reports received here late this afternoon of a bloody encounter on Red Hot Creek, Clay County, twenty-five or thirty miles from here, across a rough mountainous country, in which several men were killed.

It is impossible to obtain details, as there is no telephone communication, and a messenger from here could not start before tomorrow. The first report reaching here said that six men were killed, but later reports place the number at three, four, and ten, respectively.

The chances are that a Christmas Eve celebration in Pineville will result in a general fight and several fatalities.

Town Marshal Killed.

DOONSVILLE, Mo., Dec. 25.—Ed Middleton, marshal of New Franklin, was shot and killed by Walter Lee in a fight at 10:30 last night. Lee had been giving the marshal considerable trouble during the evening, and finally was ordered to leave Main Street or be backed up.

He refused to leave, whereupon the marshal started toward him, when Lee pulled his revolver and shot Middleton in the head. The officer died in a short time.

Lee was immediately arrested and taken to Fayette and placed in jail. An inquest was held over the body of Middleton this afternoon and a verdict of murder returned.

Many Slain in Texas.

HOUSTON, Tex., Dec. 25.—Two negroes, John Anderson and Joe Reckmeyer, entered into a quarrel with an Italian saloon-keeper this afternoon over 15 cents' worth of beer. Anderson was fatally wounded with a shotgun and Reckmeyer received a

CAKEWALK AT
WHITE HOUSE.The President Sets the Pace
in Yuletide Fun.

SENATOR LODGE SHOWS A NEW STEP.

Mr. Roosevelt and His Christmas Dinner Guests Play Games With the Children—The Sir Roger de Coverly Danced—Horseback Ride in Afternoon.

Presidential decorum and precedent were thrown out of the White House windows last night, when Mr. Roosevelt and the guests who had eaten Christmas dinner with him performed a cakewalk in the East Room.

The lively strains of "Whistling Rufus" echoed through the grand old apartment while the President set the pace in a walk which would have provoked praise from ducky experts in the art.

Senator Lodge a Star Performer. Senator Lodge and Mrs. Lodge were in the festivities to the limit. The usually dignified senator from Massachusetts proved himself one of the most adept walkers on the floor, although surpassed by his son, John Cabot Lodge, who would have earned the cake had that prize been offered.

No cakewalk was ever enjoyed more than the one presented before the eyes of the portrait effigies of Washington, Jefferson, and Lincoln hanging on the walls of the East Room. The laughter of the participants and the encouraging applause of the spectators composed of the President's guests less venturesome than himself and his followers in the merry dance rang through the entire mansion.

A Memorable Christmas. Never in the history of the White House has there been such a scene of unconfined Christmas gaiety. It is rumored that some of the minutes in the days of Dolly Madison were less stately than merry, but the cakewalk and con games were then unknown. During the McKinley administration the Virginia reel was one night danced in the lower corridor on the lower floor, but neither real nor cakewalk ever invaded the historic East Room until last night.

The cakewalk was not the only dancing. Everyone joined in the steps of the "Sir Roger de Coverly," led by the President. The enthusiasm, however, was wither-ward toward that evoked when the

Invitations issued even for dinner. Just a few personal friends were invited to come in and share the Yuletide repast. It was delightfully informal, without a trace of officialdom. Carriages were ordered for 3:30 o'clock, but it was after 11 p. m. before the last guest departed.

The Christmas dinner was a merry one. All the guests were invited to dine there from Mrs. Roosevelt's table to the table of the President's. The President's table was the most sumptuous, with its white tablecloth, silver service, and gold and silver decorations.

For Sewell Near Death. End Now a Question of a Few Hours. PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 25.—Senator Sewell is sinking rapidly, and his death is only a question of a few hours.

HOPE FOR GENERAL SEAMAN. Doctors Still Sanguine Despite Weakness of the Patient's Heart. General Seaman, of California, still lies in a critical condition at the Arlington Hotel from the attack of inflammatory rheumatism which seized him two weeks ago, soon after his arrival in Washington.

There was no change in his condition last night, and while the doctors hope to see him brighten, they are apprehensive of the weakness of his patient's heart, and to combat this danger have resorted to the most heroic measures.

AN IRISH LAND BILL. Government Said to Plan Seventeen Years Purchase Measure. LONDON, Dec. 25.—The "Daily News" says it is stated by well-informed politicians in Dublin that the Government is preparing an Irish land bill providing an equivalent to compulsory purchase, the tenant buying at seventeen years' purchase, and the landlord selling at twenty years, the state providing payment for three years' difference.

The presentation of members of the United Irish League is regarded as a sure harbinger of remedial legislation, which the recent agitation has rendered a question of necessity to the Government.

SUICIDE FOLLOWS DROWNING. Young Man Tells of Bride's Death and Kills Himself. NASHVILLE, Tenn., Dec. 25.—At Midway, Ky., Charles Preston took Miss Jessie Martin, his sweetheart, out for a sleigh ride. While crossing a river the ice broke, and the sleigh was thrown into the water. The young man was rescued, but his sweetheart was not. He was so grieved about the affair that he went to the girl's home, told of the drowning, and then killed himself in the presence of the family.

Mrs. McKinley at Her Home. Did Not Join Family Reunion at the Saxon Household. CANTON, Ohio, Dec. 25.—Mrs. McKinley spent the day alone and very quietly at her old home, Mrs. Barber, her sister, was at the Saxon house all day, this being the first time since the death of the late President that she had been absent from the side of Mrs. McKinley.

It was the desire of the relatives to have Mrs. McKinley join them at the dinner at the Saxon house, but she declined, fearing it would recall scenes that would undoubtedly have a depressing effect upon her.

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